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Production of crude oil and condensate from the oil and gas areas of Montana for the month of January, 1976, averaged 88,146 barrels daily, a decrease of 1,358 barrels from the average 89,504 production in December, 1975.

The seven refineries in the state processed 133,432 barrels of crude oil daily for the month of January, 1976, an increase of 6,119 barrels from the 127,313 barrels processed daily during the month of December.

During January, 77 wells were completed, 6 oil, 24 gas, and 47 dry holes.

During January the Board issued 35 permits to drill new wells, a decrease of 15 from the 50 permits issued during December.

SUMMARY OF CRUDE PRODUCTION, REFINING, STORAGE, ETC. IN MONTANA

MONTH OF JANUARY, 1976

IN STORAGE JANUARY 1st	
By Producers	325,804
By Transporters	1,339,123
By Refiners	1,000,787
TOTAL STORAGE	2,665,714
Produced in Montana During Month	2,732,537
Imported During Month	3,422,100
TOTAL	8,820,351
DISPOSITION:	
Refined in Montana	4,136,400
Exported	1,982,697
Used for Fuel or Lost	5,637
TOTAL	6,124,734
IN STORAGE JANUARY 31st	
By Producers	288,659
By Transporters	1,352,757
By Refiners	1,054,201
TOTAL STORAGE	2,695,617

NATURAL AND ASSOCIATED GAS WITHDRAWALS IN MONTANA

Month of January, 1976

Field	M. C. Ft.
NATURAL:	
Bear's Den	718
Big Coulee	197,484
Black Coulee	7,809
Blackjack	37,497
Bowdoin	535,295
Bowes	105,142
Brown's Coulee	4,671
Cedar Creek	150,526
Canadian Coulee	72,161
Coal Coulee	23,279
Cut Bank (including Reagan)	482,899
Dry Creek	64,489
Ethridge	7,113
Flat Coulee	19,963
Gold Butte	— 0 —
Hardin	1,511
Keith Block	108,579
Kevin Sunburst	61,703
Kicking Horse	33,193
Lake Basin	56,940
Liscom Creek	23,716
Middle Butte	1,736
Middle Dry Creek	6,208
Mt. Lilly	27,776
North Clark Fork	1,369
Plevna	5,058
Pumpkin Creek	43,379
Rapelje	59,268
Sherard	160,660
Strawberry Creek	17,354
South Clark Fork	708
South Devon	18,328
Tiger Ridge	1,399,796
Trail Creek	14,157
Utopia	55,590
West Butte	94,669
Whitlash	87,601
ASSOCIATED:	
Bell Creek	38,967
Cabin Creek	45,756
Elk Basin	17,167
Fairview	13,785
Glendive	30
Pine	39,551
Richland	36,719
Tule Creek	2,108
TOTAL	4,182,428

Total withdrawals for January, 1975 were 4,096,151 MCF.

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PRODUCERS REPORT—MONTH OF JANUARY, 1976

Leases	Field	No. of Wells	Storage First of Month	Oil Produced	Oil Shipped By		Used or Lost	Storage End of Month
					Pipeline	Truck		
3	Arch Apex	4	482	1,051	.....	667	.....	866
3	Ash Creek	3	424	721	.....	623	.....	522
...	Bainville	.....	2,560	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,560
3	Bannatyne	3	.....	3,534	2,758	.....	.....	776
5	Bear's Den	6	1,442	1,834	.....	2,362	.....	914
15	Bell Creek	188	15,190	708,910	713,351	.....	3	10,746
....	Benrud	.....	223	.....	.....	.....	.....	223
3	Benrud East	3	1,888	9,728	.....	10,396	.....	1,220
1	Benrud Northeast	1	485	1,280	.....	1,307	.....	458
1	Berthelote	1	224	113	.....	.....	.....	337
3	Big Muddy Creek	4	3,183	32,209	33,444	.....	.....	1,948
5	Big Wall	14	1,033	5,831	5830	.....	.....	1,034
5	Blackfoot	6	404	1,696	1,814	.....	.....	286
4	Border	8	2,694	1,168	.....	988	.....	2,874
1	Bowes	51	4,890	9,828	10,542	.....	.....	4,176
1	Bradley	1	207	451	413	.....	.....	245
1	Brady	1	.....	206	206	.....	.....	.....
4	Brorson-Madison	4	1,113	2,494	.....	2,630	.....	977
5	Brorson-Red River	5	6,092	4,403	.....	4,754	.....	5,741
2	Brorson-Red River South	2	1,640	1,450	.....	4,497	.....	1,593
5	Brush Lake	5	1,883	8,609	8,758	.....	.....	1,734
1	Burns Creek	1	264	812	.....	835	.....	241
2	Cabin Creek	83	.....	153,385	153,385	.....	.....	.....
1	Canal	1	408	1,447	.....	1,652	.....	203
11	Cat Creek	46	2,050	10,129	9,971	.....	.....	2,208
....	Clark's Fork	.....	11	.....	.....	.....	.....	11
1	Clark's Fork North	1	478	311	.....	564	.....	225
1	Clark's Fork South	1	750	19	.....	.....	.....	769
....	Conrad South	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
2	Cow Creek	2	228	383	.....	271	.....	340
7	Cow Creek East	8	1,628	18,961	.....	18,951	.....	1,638
....	Culbertson	.....	445	.....	.....	.....	.....	445
10	Cupton	10	7,557	12,145	12,660	909	.....	6,133
127	Cut Bank	832	31,204	193,832	186,630	9,697	(779)	29,488
....	Dean Dome	.....	553	.....	.....	.....	.....	553
1	Deer Creek	1	246	883	903	.....	.....	226
....	Delphia	.....	88	.....	.....	.....	.....	88
....	Devil's Basin	.....	464	.....	.....	.....	.....	464
1	Dry Creek	1	.....	1,604	1,314	.....	.....	290
2	Dwyer	10	4,704	9,312	8,506	.....	.....	5,510
3	Elk Basin	53	618	91,212	91,206	.....	.....	624
5	Elk Basin Northwest	9	2,163	4,091	4,405	.....	.....	1,849
5	Fairview	9	9,717	35,565	10,259	24,294	.....	10,729
1	Fertile Prairie	1	518	617	.....	396	.....	739
3	Flat Coulee	19	2,317	10,195	10,716	.....	.....	1,796
26	Flat Lake	51	3,867	52,485	53,017	.....	.....	3,335
2	Flat Lake South	2	766	1,325	1,645	.....	.....	446
1	Ft. Gilbert	2	401	6,203	6,228	.....	.....	376
1	Four Mile Creek	1	585	9,140	9,627	.....	.....	98
1	Frannie	1	.....	682	682	.....	.....	.....
11	Fred and George Creek	27	1,883	36,601	36,915	.....	.....	1,569
1	Froid South	1	773	45	.....	408	.....	410
1	Gage	1	57	189	.....	206	.....	40
3	Gas City	16	6,510	17,737	19,375	.....	.....	4,872
1	Girard	1	1,202	229	.....	296	.....	1,135
12	Glendive	14	1,750	28,789	28,019	.....	.....	2,520
13	Goose Lake	31	3,898	25,886	27,194	.....	.....	2,590
13	Graben Coulee	36	8,132	6,055	3,471	3,589	447	6,680
3	Gumbo Ridge	4	4,606	14,511	.....	17,293	.....	1,824
5	Gypsy Basin	6	2,434	892	.....	997	325	2,004
1	Hay Creek-Mission Canyon	1	124	97	202	.....	.....	19
1	Hay Creek-Red River	1	420	2,305	2,271	.....	.....	454
4	Hiawatha	4	1,937	3,593	3,848	.....	16	1,666
1	Hibbard	1	440	601	.....	380	.....	661
1	Howard Coulee	1	522	485	389	.....	.....	618
5	Ivanhoe	10	1,329	2,624	2,782	.....	.....	1,171
2	Jim Coulee	18	4,301	53,326	53,880	.....	.....	3,747
5	Keg Coulee	21	4,970	12,426	13,433	.....	60	3,903
2	Keg Coulee North	2	982	2,558	3,018	.....	.....	523
1	Kelley	3	592	4,500	4,540	.....	.....	552
76	Kevin Sunburst	448	11,460	25,988	23,499	1,190	1,523	11,236
1	Laird Creek	11	1,180	1,953	.....	1,971	.....	1,162
2	Landslide Butte	2	355	309	.....	206	.....	458
3	Leary	3	2,301	4,297	.....	4,902	19	1,677
2	Little Beaver	24	54	38,715	38,698	.....	.....	71
2	Little Beaver East	9	1,910	12,772	13,678	.....	.....	1,004
9	Little Wall Creek	10	4,058	27,772	28,389	.....	.....	3,441
1	Lodge Grass	1	424	705	.....	677	.....	452
2	Lone Butte	2	1,073	4,936	.....	5,179	.....	830
6	Lonetree Creek	6	5,372	13,744	.....	15,008	.....	4,108
3	Lookout Butte (Coral Creek)	29	201	46,004	45,865	.....	.....	340
2	Mason Lake	2	286	412	350	.....	.....	348
2	Melstone	3	614	1,190	895	.....	.....	909
.	Mineral Bench	.....	154	.....	.....	.....	.....	154
1	Miner's Coulee	2	.....	612	.....	612	.....	.....
7	Monarch	12	2,737	12,895	10,686	2,541	.....	2,405
3	Mosser	3	.....	518	.....	518	.....	.....
1	Nohly	2	461	9,179	.....	8,746	.....	894
3	Otis Creek	3	1,414	2,921	.....	2,228	.....	2,107
6	Outlook	8	7,131	29,792	29,067	.....	.....	7,856
1	Outlook South	1	1,431	934	1,170	.....	.....	1,195
2	Outlook West	2	1,841	1,545	1,083	.....	.....	2,303
1	Pennel	111	.....	229,942	229,942	.....	.....	.....
4	Pine	109	17,443	188,955	192,566	.....	.....	13,832
61	Pondera	275	4,324	24,498	24,480	.....	(3)	4,345
10	Poplar	57	7,039	32,726	32,405	.....	.....	7,360
7	Poplar Northwest	10	2,840	8,612	9,284	.....	.....	2,168
....	Prairie Elk	.....	747	.....	.....	.....	.....	747
1	Pritchard Creek	4	.....	351	351	.....	.....	.....
1	Putnam	1	242	1,550	.....	1,550	.....	242
3	Rabbit Hills	3	1,783	4,821	.....	5,313	.....	1,291
11	Ragged Point	22	5,585	13,372	13,244	.....	.....	5,713
1	Rattlesnake Coulee	1	459	90	.....	209	.....	340
5	Raymond	6	2,112	17,173	16,874	.....	.....	2,411
2	Raymond Northeast	2	1,084	3,502	2,556	.....	.....	1,030
3	Reagan	53	829	12,883	12,795	.....	.....	917
1	Red Creek	91	.....	11,129	10,702	427	.....	.....
1	Red Fox	1	217	494	443	.....	.....	268
1	Redstone	1	288	344	364	.....	.....	268
1	Repeat	1	200	1,040	.....	1,160	.....	80
3	Reserve	4	2,316	3,226	3,286	.....	.....	2,256
1	Richey	1	524	268	.....	448	.....	344
1	Richey Southeast	5	648	1,465	.....	1,682	.....	431
2	Riprap Coulee	2	1,070	1,642	2,098	.....	176	438
4	Rosebud	5	1,494	8,620	8,569	.....	.....	1,545
1	Rush Mountain	1	738	2,185	2,373	.....	.....	550
2	Salt Lake	3	310	2,402	.....	2,336	.....	376
3	Sand Creek	4	708	6,036	6,023	.....	.....	721
3	Second Creek	3	737	6,565	.....	6,187	.....	1,115
3	Shecpherder	3	1,311	1,215	2,191	.....	(12)	347
8	Sioux Pass	9	5,188	35,565	35,503	.....	.....	5,250
1	Snyder	3	1,058	110	.....	807	.....	361
8	Soap Creek	22	3,229	3,773	3,872	.....	.....	3,130
1	Spring Lake	2	954	961	.....	1,530	.....	385
3	Stensvad	8	1,962	7,170	6,938	.....	.....	2,194
25	Sumatra	97	24,924	178,495	186,602	.....	314	16,502
5	Tule Creek	5	2,921	10,007	.....	9,315	.....	3,613
2	Tule Creek East	2	853	2,651	.....	2,586	.....	918
2	Tule Creek South	2	616	587	.....	424	.....	779
2	Vida	2	342	250	.....	213	.....	379
5	Volt	6	3,374	9,713	.....	9,729	.....	3,358
...	Wagon Box	.....	71	.....	.....	.....	.....	71
3	Weldon	3	1,252	3,778	4,182	.....	.....	848
1	West Butte	1	.....	355	.....	355	.....	.....
25	Whitlash	53	8,610	11,913	12,091	.....	.....	8,432
....	Whitlash West	.....	284	.....	.....	.....	.....	284
2	Willow Creek North	2	322	1,472	1,502	.....	.....	292
2	Wills Creek South	2	.....	1,789	1,789	.....	.....	.....
4	Winnett Junction	4	705	3,583	.....	3,302	.....	986
2	Wolf Springs	2	1,160	1,252	.....	1,388	.....	1,024
2	Woodrow	2	205	2,527	2,341	.....	.....	391
3	Wright Creek	5	1,662	926	1,250	.....	.....	1,338
....	Wildcat, Fallon Co.	.....	51	.....	.....	.....	.....	51
....	Wildcat, Liberty County	.....	47	.....	.....	.....	.....	47
....	Wildcat, McCone Co.	.....	52	.....	.....	.....	.....	52
1	Wildcat, Roosevelt Co.	1	410	628	.....	657	.....	381
1	Wildcat, Rosebud County	1	1,097	6,030	.....	6,631	.....	496
751	TOTALS	3,250	325,804	2,732,537	2,558,604	208,989	2,089	288,659

*Montana oil only.

TRANSPORTERS REPORT—MONTH OF JANUARY, 1976

	Storage First of Month	Oil Received By: Pipeline	Oil Received By: Truck	Oil Received By: Connecting Carrier	Loss or Gain	Oil Shipped To: Montana	Oil Shipped To: Other States	Oil Shipped To: Connecting Carrier	Storage End of Month
ASH CREEK—Western Crude Oil Co.			623				623		
BEAR'S DEN—Truck			2,362				2,362		
BELL CREEK—Continental Pipeline	35,097			713,351				716,614	31,834
BIG WALL—Continental Pipeline Co.		5,830				5,830			
BLACKFOOT—Phillips Petroleum Co.		1,814						1,814	
BORDER—Permian Corp.			988					988	
BOWES—Texaco		10,542					10,542		
BRORSON-MADISON, BRORSON-RED RIVER & BRORSON-RED RIVER SOUTH—Koch Oil Co.			11,881					11,881	
BRUSH LAKE—Portal Pipeline Co.		8,758					8,758		
BURNS CREEK—Western Crude Oil, Inc.			835				835		
CABIN CREEK & OTHERS[1]—									
Butte Pipeline Co.	252,147	364,648	23,016	1,122,769			1,449,339	53,433	259,808
Shell Pipeline Co.	3,193	320,773		43,430	(613)			365,074	2,935
	255,340	685,421	23,016	1,166,199	(613)		1,449,339	418,507	262,743
CANAL—Koch Oil Co.			1,652				1,652		
CAT CREEK—Continental Pipeline Co.		9,771				9,771			
CLARK'S FORK & CLARK'S FORK SOUTH—Permian Corp.			564				564		
COW CREEK & COW CREEK EAST—Western Crude Oil, Inc.			19,222				19,222		
CUT BANK—									
Continental Pipeline Co.		312,546	9,364					321,910	
Phillips Petroleum Co.	53,469	72,676		90,601	2,267	130,010			84,469
Texas Pipeline Co.	14,618	21,105		81,529		103,619			13,633
Union Oil Co.	28,885	46,831			200	32,839			42,677
Western Oil Trans. Co.		50,068				50,068			
Western Oil Trans. Co. (Moulton)		72,880				72,880			
	96,972	576,106	9,364	172,130	2,467	389,416		321,910	140,779
DWYER—Portal Pipeline Co.		8,506					8,506		
ELK BASIN & ELK BASIN NORTHWEST—Marathon Pipeline Co.		94,981				94,981			
FAIRVIEW—									
Fairview Pipeline Co.		10,259					10,259		
Koch Oil Co.			24,294				24,294		
		10,259	24,294				34,553		
FLAT COULEE—Phillips Petroleum Co.		10,716				10,716			
FLAT LAKE & FLAT LAKE SOUTH—Portal Pipeline Co.		50,624					50,624		
FT. GILBERT—Fairview Pipeline Co.		6,228					6,228		
FRANNIE—Interstate Pipeline Co.		682					682		
FRED & GEORGE CREEK—Phillips Petroleum Co.	17,652	36,915			780	34,369			19,418
GAGE—Truck			206			206			
GIRARD—Koch Oil Co.			296				296		
GLENDIVE, DEER CREEK, WOODROW & SAND CREEK—Texas Pipeline Co.	3,480	19,203						19,755	2,928
GOOSE LAKE—Portal Pipeline Co.		27,194					27,194		
GUMBO RIDGE—Permian Corp.			17,293					17,293	
HAY CREEK—Fairview Pipeline Co.		2,473					2,473		
HIAWATHA—Continental Pipeline Co.		3,848					3,848		
IVANHOE—Continental Pipeline Co.		2,782				2,782			
JIM COULEE—Continental Pipeline Co.		53,880						53,880	
KEG COULEE & KEG COULEE NORTH—Continental Pipeline Co.		16,451				16,451			
KELLY—Continental Pipeline Co.		4,540				4,540			
KEVIN SUNBURST—									
Big West Oil Co.	4,575	23,242				22,067			5,750
Homestake Oil & Gas Co.	2,235	3,179				4,299			1,115
Texas Pipeline Co.	15,973	6,066				7,173			14,866
Northern Montana Oil Service	1,607	21,636				23,200			43
	24,390	54,123				56,739			21,774
LEARY—Permian Corp.			4,902				4,902		
LODGE GRASS—Permian Corp.			677			677			
LONE TREE CREEK—Koch Oil Co.			15,008					15,008	
MASON LAKE—Continental Pipeline Co.		350				350			
MELSTONE—Continental Pipeline Co.		895				895			
MIDDLE WALL—Continental Pipeline Co.[2]		23,443					23,443		
MOSSER—Permian Corp.			518				518		
NOHLY—Koch Oil Co.			8,746				8,746		
OTIS CREEK—Western Crude Oil Co.			2,228				2,228		
OUTLOOK, OUTLOOK SOUTH & OUTLOOK WEST—Portal Pipeline Co.		31,320						31,320	
PONDERA—Phillips Petroleum Co.	35,053	26,624			346	19,885			41,446
POPLAR, RED FOX, REDSTONE—East Poplar Gathering System	32,245	39,016			568			56,942[3]	13,751
PUTNAM—Western Crude Oil Co.			1,550				1,550		
RABBIT HILLS—Koch Oil Co.			5,313				5,313		
RAGGED POINT—Continental Pipeline Co.		13,244				11,231	2,013		
RAYMOND—Portal Pipeline Co.		20,430					20,430		
RED CREEK—Western Oil Transportation Co.		14,033						14,033	
RESERVE—Portal Pipeline Co.		3,502					3,502		
RIPRAP COULEE—Portal Pipeline Co.		2,098						2,098	
ROSEBUD—Continental Pipeline Co.		8,569				8,569			
RUSH MOUNTAIN—Sinclair Ref. Co.		2,373					2,373		
SALT LAKE—Koch Oil Co.			2,336				2,336		
SECOND CREEK—Koch Oil Co.			6,187				6,187		
SHEEPHERDER—Continental Pipeline Co.		2,191						2,191	
SIOUX PASS—Continental Pipeline Co.		35,503					35,503		
SNYDER—Permian Corp.			807			807			
SPRING LAKE—Koch Oil Co.			1,530				1,530		
SUMATRA & STENSVAD—Continental Pipeline Co.	834,620	210,153		2,169,529		167,023		2,240,793	806,486
TULE CREEK, BENRUD, VOLT & OTHERS[4]									
Tesoro Petroleum	4,274		34,189			26,865			11,598
Permian Corp.			424			424			
	4,274		34,613			27,289			11,598
WHITLASH & WHITLASH WEST—Phillips Petroleum Co.		12,091				12,091			
WINNETT JUNCTION—Truck			3,302			3,302			
WOLF SPRINGS—Permian Corp.			1,388			1,388			
WILDCAT WELLS—Truck			7,288					7,288	
TOTAL	1,339,123	2,147,482	208,989	4,221,209	3,548	879,308	1,748,875	3,932,315	1,352,757

[1]Cabin Creek, Cupton, Fertile Prairie, Gas City, Monarch, Repeat, Vida, Weldon and Wills Creek South.
[2]Little Wall Creek and Willow Creek North.
[3]Transferred to Butte Pipeline Co.
[4]Benrud, Benrud East, Benrud Northeast, Culbertson, Froid, Four Buttes, Tule Creek, Tule Creek East, Richey Southwest and Volt.

BARRELS OF CRUDE OIL REFINED IN MONTANA
MONTH OF JANUARY, 1976

	Big West Oil Co.	Continental Oil Co.	Exxon Co.	Farmers Union	Phillips Petr. Co.	Tesoro Petr. Co.	Westco Refining Co.	Total
Big Wall		5,830						5,830
Cat Creek		2,184		7,587				9,771
Cut Bank	6,405				57,485		96,312	160,202
Elk Basin		37,711	30,236	27,034				94,981
Flat Coulee							10,716	10,716
Fred and George Creek	34,369							34,369
Ivanhoe		2,782						2,782
Keg Coulee		13,073	1,771	1,607				16,451
Kelley			4,540					4,540
Kevin Sunburst	56,739							56,739
Lodge Grass		677						677
Mason Lake		350						350
Melstone				895				895
Pondera					13,504			13,504
Ragged Point		11,231						11,231
Rosebud		8,569						8,569
Richey Southwest						1,895		1,895
Snyder		807						807
Sumatra and Stensvad		83,277	32,034	76,808				192,119
Tule Creek and Others						38,376		38,376
Whitlash					27,969			27,969
Winnett Junction				3,302				3,302
Wolf Springs			1,388					1,388
Volt						16,837		16,837
TOTAL Montana Oil	97,513	166,491	69,969	117,233	98,958	57,108	107,028	714,300
Canadian Oil Imported		877,760	494,435	479,468	52,667			1,904,330
Wyoming Oil Imported		533,459	713,090	271,221				1,517,770
TOTAL Montana, Canadian and Wyoming Oil	97,513	1,577,710	1,277,494	867,922	151,625	57,108	107,028	4,136,400

AVERAGE BARRELS PER DAY

	Montana	Canada	Wyoming	Total
Year: 1975	24,463	53,077	54,237	131,777
January, 1975	22,625	50,106	64,984	137,715
January, 1976	23,042	61,430	48,960	133,432

PERCENTAGE OF CRUDE OIL REFINED

	Montana	Canada	Wyoming
Year: 1975	18.56%	40.28%	41.16%
January, 1975	16.43%	36.38%	47.19%
January, 1976	17.27%	46.04%	36.69%

Total Oil Produced and Shipped from Leases

	Bbls. Produced	Daily Average	Bbls. Shipped	Daily Average
Year, 1975	32,843,558	89,982	32,601,792	89,320
January, 1976	2,732,537	88,146	2,767,593	89,277

Oil in Storage

	In Producers Field Tanks	In Transporters Storage	In Refiners Storage*	Total Oil In Storage**
December, 1975	325,804	1,339,123	1,000,787	2,665,714
January, 1976	288,659	1,352,757	1,054,201	2,695,617